

Encourage One Another
1 Thessalonians 4
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Getting to Know You

1. What are ways you have experienced Christian brotherly or sisterly love over the years?
2. How much do you think experiencing Christian brotherly or sisterly love contributed to you remaining in the church?
3. How have we preached on the biblical concept of love at Trinity? How can we as Christians better love “more and more” as Paul encourages in verses 9-10?

Going Deeper

4. What does 1 Thessalonians 4 reveal about the hope of resurrection for believers?
5. How does the call for sexual purity challenge societal norms in the 21st century?
6. How can Christians maintain this purity in a hypersexualized culture?
7. Discuss the implications of leading a “quiet life” as stated in 1 Thessalonians 4:11. How does it contradict or align with modern societal values?
8. In what way is Paul’s teaching about the Christian life in 1 Thessalonians 4:1–12 binding on Christians today?
9. Why would Paul urge believers to expect Christ’s imminent return (1 Thessalonians 4:15) when nearly two millennia have passed?
10. How should we approach and comfort those grieving the loss of loved ones, based on Paul’s words in 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18?

Living It Out

11. How does Paul’s call to sanctification in 1 Thessalonians 4 apply to our lives today?
12. What theological implications can be drawn from Paul’s instructions in 1 Thessalonians 4 regarding living a Godly life?
13. How does the anticipation of Christ’s return inspire or shape your personal growth as a Christian?
14. What societal structures or systems could be challenged or improved based on the principles in 1 Thessalonians 4?
15. How can we use the teachings in 1 Thessalonians 4 to influence our interactions with non-believers? What can we do as a small group or church to spur you on to interactions with non-believers?